GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMMES IN NEWLY CREATED STATES
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any poverty alleviation programmes have been launched by the Union Government in newly created States including Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the financial assistance provided, State-wise and scheme-wise;

(c) whether the targets fixed in this regard have been achieved;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): An Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme called `Swarna JayantiShahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY)` is being implementedby the Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation onall India basis, including the three newly created States, for the benefit of urban poor. This programme seeks to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed or underemployed poor through encouraging the setting up of self-employment ventures or provision of wage employment by utilising their labour for construction of socially and economically useful public assets. The scheme is funded in the ratio of 75:25 between the Centre and the States. Central assistance as under has been sanctioned in March 2001 also to the three newly created States:

1. Chhattisgarh - Rs.422.69 lakhs
2. Jharkhand - Rs.202.10 lakhs
3. Uttaranchal - Rs.102.97 lakhs

(c): It is too early to assess the performance of the newly created States.

(d)&(e): Does not arise in view of reply to part (c) above.